

# Lake Fairfax Skatepark

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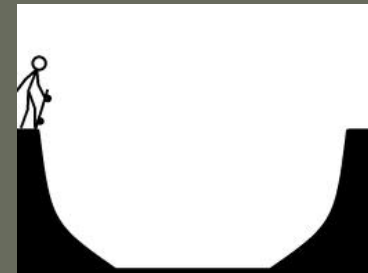
Public Input Meeting

June 15, 2011



# Meeting Agenda

- Welcome
- History
- Process
- Spohn Ranch Presentation
- Workshop Session



# History

- 2001 Lake Fairfax Master Plan includes a skatepark
- 2004 & 2008 Park Bond includes funding for design and construction of the skatepark



# Process

## Skatepark Design Process

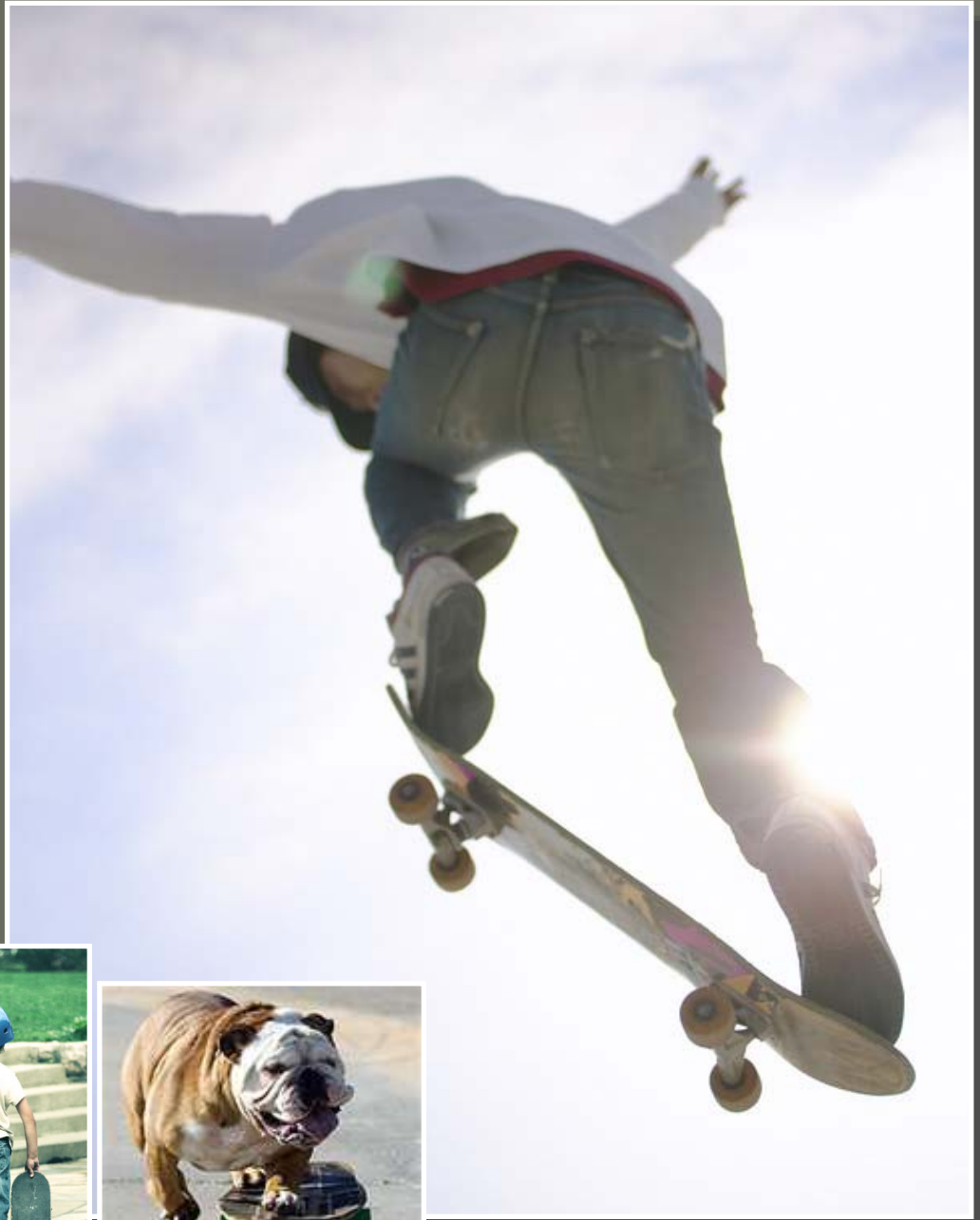
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# Design

- Multiple equipment types
- Variety of users
- Age and experience levels



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## *LAKE FAIRFAX SKATEPARK DESIGN MEETING*



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# LAKE FAIRFAX SKATEPARK

## Presentation Outline

- ☐ Our History
- ☐ Company Overview
- ☐ Services

### Introduction



- ☐ Industry Recognition
- ☐ Project References

### Qualifications



- ☐ Design Philosophy
- ☐ Skateable Art
- ☐ Construction Philosophy

### Our Philosophy



- ☐ Process Overview
- ☐ Community Engagement
- ☐ US Communities
- ☐ Design Concepts

### Project Approach



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## *From Backyard Ramps to the X-Games*





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## *From Backyard Ramps to the X-Games*





# *SPOHN RANCH Introduction*

*Nationally recognized experts in skatepark design & construction*

- Helped define the modern skatepark by designing and building the first 5 years of the X-Games
- Completed well over 1,000 concrete and fabricated skateparks
- Pioneers of skate plazas and skateable art sculptures



# SPOHN RANCH Qualifications

## Industry Recognition

### SELECT AWARDS & HONORS

**Skatepark Association of USA** - Award for Design and Manufacturing Excellence, 2004

**Concrete Disciples** - Award for Excellence in Skatepark Construction, 2001

**City of Los Angeles, California** – Lifetime Achievement Award, 2008

**American Society of Landscape Architects/Urban Land Institute** – Award for Excellence Nominee, 2010

**INC. 500** – Honoree of Nation's 5,000 Fastest Growing Private Companies, 2009-2010

**California Parks and Recreation Association** - Award of Excellence for Recreation/ Community Services, 2009



# *SPOHN RANCH Introduction*

## *Breadth of services*



### Planning/Design

- Planning with a focus on community and sustainability
- Community engagement via in-person and online interfaces
- 3D drafting and design
- Construction documents, technical specifications and permitting
- Collaboration with local artists, landscape architects and engineers
- Value engineering and cost estimating
- Fundraising assistance



### Construction/Fabrication

- Construction management, general and sub-contracting
- Site prep, grading, drainage and soil compaction
- Forming and rebar
- Concrete/shotcrete finishing and placing
- Off-site concrete casting
- Steel fabrication and installation
- Finished grade, landscaping and site amenities



### Operations/Insurance

- Grand opening packages and athlete coordination
- Risk assessment programs
- Specialty skatepark insurance through our associate company, Action Park Alliance
- Programming
- Contests and events
- Media coverage



# *SPOHN RANCH philosophy*

## *Construction Philosophy*



Shotcrete



Poured-in-place concrete



Precision-cast concrete sculptures

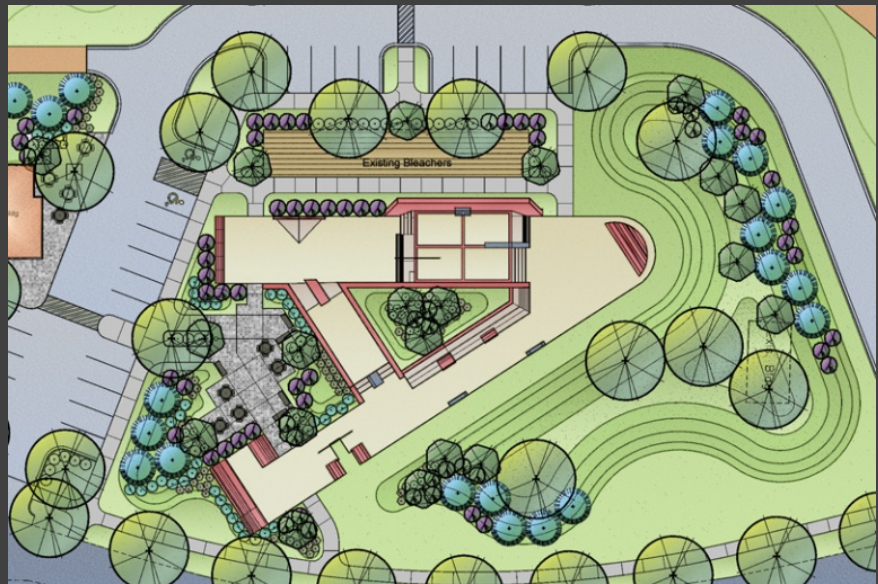


Wood/metal/composite ramps

# *SPOHN RANCH philosophy*

## *Design Philosophy*

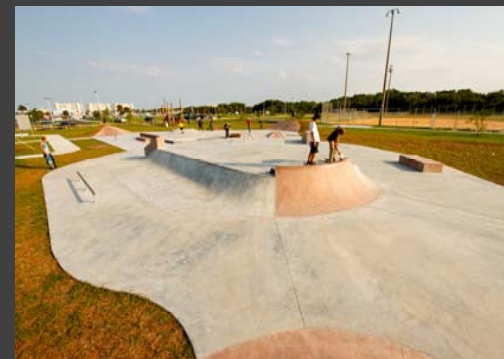
- ❑ Collaboration with a **diverse/integrated** team
- ❑ Thinking beyond design with construction/operation experience
- ❑ Creativity and innovation
- ❑ Compliance and liability protection
- ❑ **Inviting recreational space** that reflects local culture
- ❑ Best use of site and sustainable design
- ❑ **Community space**





# SPOHN RANCH - MUNICIPAL SKATEPARK EVOLUTION

- ✓ THE BEGINNING - NEED FOR SKATEPARKS IS IDENTIFIED DUE TO OVERWHELMING POPULARITY AND NEED FOR SAFETY
- ✓ SKATEPARKS 1.0 - Wood, Masonite, or whatever people could get their hands on
- ✓ SKATEPARKS 2.0 - Skatelite, Steel, alternative riding surfaces, the beginning of custom concrete skateparks
- ✓ SKATEPARKS 3.0 - The modular ramps from 2.0 still being used but now Concrete Skateparks is driving the industry





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## *Traditional Flow Bowl / Transition Parks*



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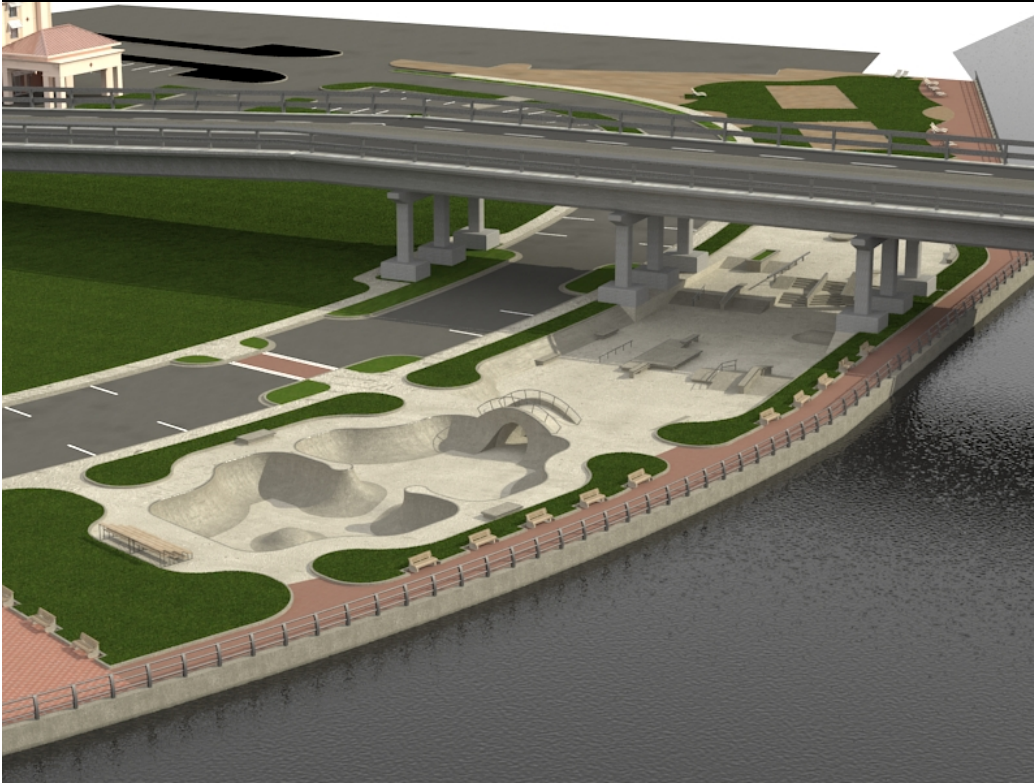
## *The Skate Plaza*





# *SPOHN RANCH - Styles*

## *Hybrid Approach*



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## *Skateable Art*

While skateboarding has gained incredible mainstream appeal in recent years, its roots are urban and the true heart and soul of the sport remain grounded in streetscapes where skaters perfect maneuvers on neglected **urban architecture**.

These artistic expressions of passion and creativity are best complemented by terrain that is aesthetically-intriguing and challenging to skate. At Spohn Ranch we firmly believe that designing a municipal skatepark should not limit our ability to create **visually-striking** architecture where the innovation of skaters can truly flourish.

In an effort to bring to skateboarding back to its artistic roots, we pioneered the use of “Skateable Art” sculptures in skatepark and **mixed-use public space** design.





# *SPOHN RANCH - Styles*

## *Skateable Art*





# *Public Involvement Process*

*Engaging all stakeholders in a meaningful way*





# Skatepark Design

## Social media encourages local input



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**Information**

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 **Spoehn Ranch Skateparks** Skaters' Input Needed! Please share any constructive feedback you have on this design for a small skate spot. (Hubba is too low, ledge should be moved back, etc....)

**Designs**



November 30 at 3:14pm · Comment · Like · Share

 **Chris Mastandrea** Cant see it from my backyard!!  
November 30 at 3:34pm · Report

 **Kyle Taz Perez** more street bigger stairs!  
November 30 at 3:39pm · Report

 **Jerry Phanphongsane** it'd be cool if the ledge on the upper left bank was raised instead of flushed level. that way it could be used as a manny pad/ledge.  
November 30 at 4:26pm · Report

 **Zack Goulet** bad skatepark designs are when they try to cram too much "mandatory" terrain into a small spot. it needs something unique about it.  
December 1 at 11:49pm · Report

 **Thomas Turgut** I like the manny pad in the coner, but the pyramid is too low. There is also a lot of repetition of elements in the park:  
- manny pad  
- manny pad  
- hubba...  
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 **Spoehn Ranch Skateparks** 5BORO Skateboards Southern Migration Tour set to hit Spoehn Ranch's Bethune Point Skatepark in Daytona Beach, Florida. Check the flyer for details!

**Skatepark Events**



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[Rendering of the design concept before we made a few tweaks.](#)

Added November 24 · Like · Comment

 **John Elvers** Like this.  
November 24 at 11:36pm · Like · Flag

 **Austin Schwind** freakin awesome want to start building  
November 24 at 11:36pm · Like · Flag

 **Nate Bettine** I like it, but could you maybe get rid of one of those grass spots in the middle to add some more flat ground area. I know this is supposed to be scenic and all, but those spots are taking all of the area in the skatepark and atleast one of...[See More](#)  
December 4 at 8:08am · Like · Flag

 **Shawn Steenke** shaper transition would be nice  
December 10 at 2:57am · Like · Flag

 **Lets build a skatepark in Stormlake iowa!** Note, the purpose of the landscaped areas is to make the park bigger without adding cost. Essentially concrete costs money, grass doesn't.  
The budget for this project is very small, so making a huge park with lots of space is not really an...[See More](#)  
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*Gainesville, Florida*



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*Daytona Beach, Florida*





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*Titusville, Florida*



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*South Jordan, Utah*





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*Bemidji, Minnesota*





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# *SPOHN RANCH Design Concepts*

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